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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

April, 2009

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	1358
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	2203
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	1541
Number of items analyzed this month.....	2385
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	13868
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	141 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed.....	356

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	985	7%
16-30 days old	1117	8%
31-50 days old	1308	9%
Greater than 50 days	10458	75%
TOTAL	13868	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	77	3%
16-30 days	266	11%
31-50 days	369	15%
Greater than 50 days	1673	70%
TOTAL	2385	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	743
Cocaine	441
Heroin	253
Others	948
TOTAL	2385

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	13
Cocaine	38
Oxycodone	9
TOTAL	60

Calendar Year (2009) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	9486
Items Analyzed	9621